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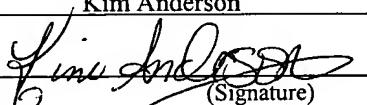
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Dear Sir:

The following documents are enclosed in connection with the above-referenced patent application:

1. Request for Continued Examination ("RCE") Under 37 CFR § 1.114 (2 pgs);
2. Fee Transmittal Sheet (1 pg);
3. Our check in the amount of \$395.00 RCE fee;
4. Preliminary Amendment (5 pgs);

5. Information Disclosure Statement along with PTO SB/08A (2 pgs); and
6. Return Receipt Postcard.

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